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TITLE: PROCESS FOR THE SEPARATION AND PURIFICATION OF AN  
AQUEOUS MIXTURE COMPRISING THE MAIN COMPONENTS  
ACETIC ACID AND FORMIC ACID

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action dated DECEMBER 5, 2003,  
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this  
document.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 3 of this document.

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